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measurable levels of asbestos were found based on the limits of detection of the method. Other such tests have also been conducted with similar results. Other tests have been conducted on gloves/mittens finding higher levels of exposure, but these studies were conducted in sealed small volume chambers, did not include background sample checks, did not determine if other sources of asbestos were in the test area, used only phase contrast microscopy (PCM) analyses and heated the gloves/mittens in a manner to which the gloves/mittens are not normally subjected.

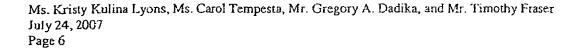
The asbestos contained in the center of wire gauge is used to hold containers heated by Bunsen burners. Dr. Holinka testified that they were routinely replaced. Further, the temperatures to which the asbestos would be subjected would cause the asbestos to be transformed into forsterite as it degrades and possibly separates from the pad. Based on the routine changing of the pads, the bonding of the asbestos in the pad, the limited use of the pads, the ventilation in the laboratories, and the conversion of asbestos in the pad to forsterite as the pads deteriorate, he would not have been exposed to harmful levels of asbestos.

Furthermore, the type of asbestos used in such gloves/mittens and Bunsen burner pads is chrysotile which is more soluble in the lungs and is removed from the lungs by physiologic actions, and thus, has a lower propensity for causing pulmonary disease than some other forms of asbestos. In addition, valid epidemiology studies have shown that chrysotile has little or no potential for causing an increase in the risk of getting mesothelioma. The asbestos dose that Dr. Hotinka potentially could have received from wearing asbestos gloves/mittens is insignificant compared to the amount required to develop an asbestos-related disease.

This opinion is based on my education and over 35 years of experience as an industrial hygienist and toxicologist. My experience includes evaluation of health hazards in vehicle repair facilities, foundries, building maintenance, steel mills, manufacturing facilities and shipyand in also includes evaluations of pneumocomosis-producing dusts, such as asbestos. As a sultant and former manager of health and safety for the U.S. Environmental Protection as a sultant evaluated buildings and industrial environments to determine asbestos her adviced as a substant and safety of situations.

I have specifically collected air samples while various being handled, used and removed, which included: transite and other encapsulated and removed, and other equipment in foundries and statement in sulation used in pipe covering.

Based on over 35 years of experience in the industrial hygiene field the literature regarding the health hazards of asbestos, I am familiar with a conclusions of researchers in the field of occupational health regarding a mazards and of the practices of occupational health professionals was respect to aim workers from harmful asbestos products. The following distance on sets for my opinions.



ANALYSIS

Asbestos Containing Gloves and Bunsen Burner Pads

Asbestos fibers have been used for many years in manufacturing woven textiles including asbestos gloves/mittens used to provide protection from heat. Asbestos gloves/mittens have been used in the past in most laboratories where heated operations such as the use of ovens were involved. I used asbestos gloves and mittens for about ten years in the analytical laboratory of the Occupational and Environmental Health Department of Wayne State University College of Medicine where I was a part time chemist and also where I attended graduate school.

The normal use of such gloves/mittens in handling heated materials would not result in harmful emissions of asbestos fibers as the fibers are embedded in the matrix of the gloves/mittens and the minimal intermittent use would not degrade the materials. As mentioned, I have conducted an air sampling survey of an employee where I obtained a breathing zone air sample which was analyzed for asbestos using an OSHA approved light microscope analysis. The sample was taken while the employee was continuously unloading hot windshield glass from a Lehr bending furnace. The results of the analysis demonstrated that the employee was not exposed to any asbestos from the use of the gloves/mittens based on the limit of detection for the method. A test to determine asbestos emissions from asbestos containing protective equipment has been conducted by the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) where the results of placing an air sampling cassette within the breathing zone of an asbestos hood used by firefighter did not show that the wearer of the hood was exposed to harmful levels of asbestos.

Asbestos pads have been used for many years in laboratory settings to protect the and other glassware from the intense heat of the flame from Bunsen burners, with the reach to approximately 1500°C. The pads consisted of a wire screen which was the died with the chrysotile asbestos pad in the center. At temperatures above 500°C, which is chirysotile as an antorphous mineral called forsterite, which is chrysotile, but without attached water mole, and completely at hydration, "This water loss occurs quickly and completely at the property of a single 100°C to 800°C. When fibrous chrysotile loses these water molecules the librotic nature. Indeed, Dr. Holinka testified that the burner pads that he used heat," which is consistent with the chrysotile fibers decomposing the mentioned that when the pads deteriorated, they were the content of the high have been exposed to harmful levels of asbestos from handling and disparent.

Knowledge of asbestos hazards in the past

While excessive exposure to asbestos was known to ause a filling disease early in the last century, it was not identified as a configuration and some time in the

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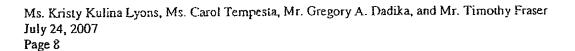
late seventies or even the early nineteen eighties. Further, high exposures such as those associated with working with large amounts of raw asbestos were thought to be required to cause lung disease. Based on that knowledge, the federal government set an exposure limit of 5 million particles per cubic foot (mppcf) in 1938 which is roughly equivalent to 30 fibers per cubic centimeter or three hundred times the current federal limit. The 5 mppcf limit remained in effect as the federal limit until the early 1970s.

Employees working with finished asbestos products were not thought to be at risk of developing any asbestos related disease. In the mid 1940s, a study was conducted of insulators and the results indicated that insulators were not at risk of developing an asbestos related disease. When epidemiological studies first suggested that asbestos was a carcinogen in the mid 1950s, it was thought that high exposure would be necessary to cause cancer and that some scarring of the lungs would also have to occur. It was not until the mid 1960s when a study of insulators suggested that they were at risk of developing not only a fibrotic lung disease, but also cancer. A study in South Africa in 1960 suggested that exposure to amphibole asbestos caused mesothelioma, but most insulation in the United States was chrysotile. While Selikoff's articles in the mid 1960s saw an increase in cancer in the insulation workers that they were observing, the occupational health community did not conclude that asbestos was a carcinogen. There were also other studies such as the Braun study suggesting that exposure to asbestos did not cause cancer. Selikoff's work did stimulate discussions regarding the carcinogenicity of asbestos and additional studies were undertaken to confirm or deny the conclusions that Selikoff had drawn.

In 1972, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) promulgated their first complete chemical, standard which was for asbestos. While they discussed the carcinogenicity of asbestos, they did not regulate as a carcinogen. In fact, they did not regulate asbestos as a carcinogen until 1985 when they attempted to set an emergency standard for asbestos. The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) also did not suggest regulating asbestos as a carcinogen in their Criteria Document on asbestos although they did discuss the carcinogenicity of asbestos. NIOSH did not recommend regular species as a carcinogen until 1976 when additional studies had been conducted provide species as a carcinogenic. As mentioned, will studies that asbestos was carcinogenic. As mentioned, will studies had been conducted provide a conducted provide a conducted provide as fow it in the conclusion that asbestos was carcinogenic. As mentioned, will said so when he might have routinely worn asbestos gloves/mittens and used the pade occurred prior to the early 1970s at around the time of the promulgation of sectors standard.

The Occupational Safety and Health Administration Act and Standard

OSHA was created by the Williams-Steiger Occupational Safety at 1.970 (84 Stat. 1590, et seq., 29 U.S.C., et seq.). The goal was to assure so far a every working man and woman in the Nation, have safe and healthful working id to preserve our human resources. The Act requires, in part the every experience of under the Act furnish to his employees "employment and a part of employees" in the free from



recognized hazards that are causing or are likely to cause death or serious physical harm." The Act gave the Department of Labor the authority to create standards, conduct inspections, issue citations and propose penalties for alleged violations. OSHA is the agency in the Department of Labor to which the legislation assigns the responsibility for carrying out the aforementioned act.

Employer Responsibility

As described in the aforementioned act, it is the employer's responsibility to provide a safe work environment for employees. While the act requires employees to comply with standards and rules that are applicable to their own actions and conduct, it is the employer who has the means to provide a safe environment. Under law, the employer is even empowered to discipline employees who do not comply with health and safety requirements of the employer. When OSHA conducts an inspection and observes an employee not following the regulations, it is the employer who is cited, not the employee. Employees have the right to notify OSHA of alleged violations in their workplace and not have any reprisals against them by the employer.

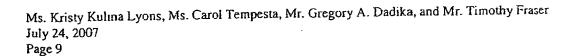
Only the employer has the ability to ensure that employees work in a safe and healthful environment. The employer is the only entity that can:

- Control what materials are purchased to be used in the facility, including both production and non-production materials;
- Control the ventilation conditions in the building and selection of the building itself
- 4 6 6 Provide and install engineering equipment to protect workers;
- Set work rates and work practices;

- Provide for training of employees in hazard recognition and safe
- Monitor, the environment to determine if employees chemicals, which might be harmful.

Even prior to the formation of OSHA, companies were provide safe and healthful working conditions which are also consistent with Holinka worked at hospitals and from 1977 until 1989 worked did his research on asbestos. Thus, Dr. Holinka's employers kill hazards associated with asbestos to the extent that those hazards we health and safety community during the various time periods that he work of states had an asbestos exposure limit well before OSHA promulgated th which was 5 mppcf as discussed earlier. Thus, Dr. Hölinka employers, responsible for ensuring that he was not exposed to harmful levels of as

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CONCLUSIONS

Dr. Holinka was not exposed to harmful levels of asbestos from the presence and use of asbestos containing gloves/mittens and Bunsen burner pads during his career. The reasons that Dr. Holinka's diagnosis of mesothelioma would not have been caused or exacerbated by possibly working with asbestos containing gloves/mittens and Bunsen burner pads are as follows:

- Studies conducted on asbestos exposure associated with the use of asbestos gloves/mittens have shown that users are not exposed to harmful levels of asbestos;
- The form of asbestos used in both the mittens and the Bunsen burner pads would have been chrysotile and valid epidemiology studies have shown that chrysotile has little or no potential for causing an increase in the risk of developing mesothelioma;
- The use or handling of asbestos mittens and Bunsen burner pads is intermittent and generally for short periods of time;
- Dr. Holinka did not work in laboratory continuously and only worked in routine analytical determinations of biological specimens for a limited period of time;
- Laboratories usually have one pass ventilation, thus diluting any fibers emitted into the air;
- Asbestos gloves/mittens are woven products and the asbestos is contained within the fabric of the glove; and
- The intense heat from the Bunsen burners would have converted the chrysol in the pads to non-asbestos fosterite.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact means and the sincerely.

Sincerely.

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EXHIBIT B

CURRICULUM VITAE

SHELDON H. RABINOVITZ, Ph.D., C.I.H.

Work History: 1989-Present

Vice President; Senior Certified Industrial Hygienist and Toxicologist Sandler Occupational Medicine Associates, Inc. (SOMA) Gaithersburg, MD

- Senior scientist and principal conducting and managing many SOMA industrial hygiene and toxicology projects, including: indoor air quality evaluations; lead, asbestos and fungal exposure and remediation projects; chemical risk assessments and recommended controls; worker right-to-know; hazardous waste evaluation and remediation projects; comprehensive industrial hygiene sampling surveys, audits and respirator programs including selection, fit testing and program design; in-plant evaluations to identify, quantify and control health hazards; and the provision of expert witness services. Expert witness services include product liability, workers' compensation, and exposure modeling. Clients include large and small manufacturers, various governmental agencies, service providers, hospitals, and other companies.
- Provides of occupational health training to governmental agencies and private companies. Prepares Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) and warning labels for products. Periodically assists governmental agencies in support of their occupational health programs, such as assisting the National Institute for Safety and Health (NIOSH) in respiratory protection research. Identifies exposure profiles using reconstruction and other evaluation methods for epidemiology studies.
- A principal architect of the SOMA environmental testing chamber.
 Evaluates exposures associated with the use of products by workers and consumers, both under normal use conditions and from accidental situations.

1989-1992

Expert Consultant (part-time)
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
Washington, D.C.

Assisted the Agency in protecting the health of its employees. Specific
projects included design and management of asbestos remediation projects
throughout the Agency, preparation of health and safety guidelines for
EPA asbestos inspectors, and the conduct of studies to determine potential
exposure of EPA employees to various contaminents.

1987-1989

Manager, Industrial Hygiene and Safety Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Washington, D.C. Sheldon H. Rabinovitz, Ph.D., C.I.H. Page 2

- Developed and implemented industrial hygiene and safety programs to
 protect the health and safety of all EPA employees. Such programs
 include laboratory chemical evaluations, indoor air pollution surveys,
 evaluations of health and safety concerns at hazardous waste sites,
 recommendations for protecting EPA inspectors at manufacturing sites,
 service industries, and building renovations, and demolitions involving
 asbestos.
- Participated in EPA research programs involving hazardous waste activities, including sampling procedures and use of personal protective equipment.
- Participated in the development of training modules for EPA employees as part of the overall health and safety program.
- Performed audits to determine compliance of various EPA facilities to applicable standards.
- Participated in EPA Asbestos Action and Hazardous Waste committees.

1984-1987

Senior Scientist National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health Cincinnati, OH

- Reviewed and assisted in preparation of criteria documents, current intelligence bulletins relating to occupational safety and health conditions, and other NIOSH informational publications for accuracy and provided additional input where applicable.
- Served on committees to establish NIOSH priorities, needs and policies.
- Reviewed technical materials from an industrial hygiene, safety, and
 toxicological standpoint. This included NIOSH documents on the
 following subjects: asbestos, silica, noise, low frequency radiation,
 hazardous waste, carbon monoxide, isocyanates, radon, welding fumes,
 solvents (including benzene) and other hydrocarbon vapors.
- Assisted in the preparation of NIOSH position papers and interacted with other federal agencies to coordinate government occupational health and safety policies.
- Served as a resource expert for inquiries to the Center for Disease Control on asbestos and several other topics.
- Chairman of NIOSH Respiratory Protection Committee, which prepared

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revised Respirator Decision Logic, published through NIOSH in 1987.

Chairman of an interagency work group which included NIOSH, EPA, Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the U.S. Coast Guard and completed a comprehensive manual entitled "Occupational Safety and Health Guidance Manual or Hazardous Waste Site Activities."

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Prepared a hazard alert on the effects of acute exposures to certain halogenated solvents.

Private Consultant 1984-1989

- Performed expert witness services including product liability and warning labels, indoor air pollution, and workers' compensation.
- Conducted facility walkthroughs as well as chemical and physical agent sampling surveys to identify and correct health and safety hazards in both occupational and residential settings.

1978-1984

Manager, Industrial Hygiene Services, Science Applications International Corporation (fka: JRB Associates) McLean, VA

- Managed all SAIC commercial industrial hygiene and indoor air pollution projects. Project sizes ranged from the OSHA Louisiana Small Business Health and Safety Consultation Program and a comprehensive survey of a major oil refinery to office air quality studies. These projects involved work in a wide range of industries including: chemical; foundry; glass; pharmaceutical; textile; printing; aerospace; assembly; ship building and repair; paint; and others. Hazard evaluations included both ionizing and nonionizing radiation, chemical exposures, lasers, heat stress, confined space hazards, eye protection, explosions, and fire.
- Prepared proposals, marketing strategy, and advertising material. Determined cost of all projects and assumed responsibility for product delivery within budget. Hired and trained personnel.
- Organized and managed an instrument laboratory and assisted in obtaining American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA) accreditation for the company's trace chemistry laboratory.
- Prepared sampling strategies, position papers, and corporate policies; reviewed company reports and criteria documents for the Consumers

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Product Safety Commission (CPSC), EPA, Office of Toxic Substances, NIOSH and private companies.

 Conducted investigations, case reviews, and industrial hygiene surveys in preparation to provide expert witness services.

1973-1978

Industrial Hygienist (1973-1974) Senior Industrial Hygienist (1974-1978) Ford Motor Company Dearborn, MI

- Supervised up to six industrial hygienists and was responsible for the
 provision of industrial hygiene services to one-half of the company's
 North American Operations, including approximately 50 plants, each
 employing up to 5,000 people.
- Reviewed all chemicals used in maintenance operations, as well as some
 production materials, from a toxicological standpoint to provide warning
 labels and recommended personal protection and engineering controls
 based on intended use.
- Conducted comprehensive industrial hygiene surveys to appraise
 management of health hazards and degree of OSHA compliance before
 recommending solutions to ensure a healthful working environment.
 Surveys were often conducted with the assistance of local safety engineers
 to identify all safety and health hazards.
- Prepared and conducted training seminars for company safety engineers and union health and safety representatives regarding the recognition and measurement of certain industrial hygiene hazards; also prepared and conducted training programs to fulfill OSHA training requirements.
- Provided expert witness services to the Office of General Council.
- Assisted in providing corporate guidelines for compliance with OSHA standards.

1972-1973

Industrial Hygienist and Toxicologist BASF Wyandotte Corporation Wyandotte, MI

- Conducted comprehensive industrial hygiene surveys including analysis of heavy metals, acids and bases, and spectrophotometric analysis of solvent vapors and isocyanates.
- Informed management of identified health hazards and recommended

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corrective actions.

- Provided industrial hygiene consultative services for company clients.
- Performed toxicological evaluation of in-plant chemicals and prepared recommendations for the safe use of company products by customers.

1970-1972

Chemist (part-time)

IHI-Kemron (fka: Environmental Health Laboratories)

Farmington, MI

Performed quantitative analysis of water, air and biological samples.

1964-1967

Chemist (part-time)

Department of Occupational and Environmental Health

College of Medicine Wayne State University Detroit, MI

Performed routine quantitative calorimetric analyses of biological specimens and air samples for heavy metals. Assisted on research projects to develop new analytical methods.

Certifications:

Certified Industrial Hygienist, 1974, #853

Certified Asbestos Inspector (EPA AHERA Regulation) Jan., 1989

Certified Asbestos Management Planner (EPA AHERA Regulation), January,

1989

Education:

Ph.D., Physiology and Pharmacology, 1972

Wayne State University College of Medicine, Detroit, MI

Major: Toxicology

M.S., Occupational and Environmental Health, 1969 Wayne State University College of Medicine, Detroit, MI

Major: Industrial Hygiene

B.S., Chemistry, 1966,

Wayne State University, Detroit, MI Major: Analytical Chemistry

Short Courses:

- Industrial Ventilation Conference, Michigan State University, Lansing, MI, 1973

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- Noise Control Engineering, Institute of Noise Control, Bethlehem, PA, Certificate Number 385, 1973
- Principles and Practices of Industrial Toxicology, College of Medicine, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, 1976 (36 hours of continuing medical education)
- Hazardous Waste Remedial Action Course, Environmental Protection Agency, Cincinnati, Ohio, 1987 (40 hours)

Awards:

- Public Health Service Fellowship, 1967-1971
- NIOSH Special Service Award, 1985
- U.S. EPA Assistant Administrator's Award, 1988

Teaching:

1985-1995	NIOSH Respirator Protection Course, Course Development and Instruction
1996-2000	University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, Biosystems Responses to Environmental Stimuli, Course #484, Develop and Provide lecture on Toxicological Aspects of Environmental Stimuli
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George Washington University, wa 1978-1982 Graduate Program, Guest Lecturer

Michigan Department of Public Health, Detroit, MI, Workplace Monitoring 1977

Seminar, Guest Lecturer

Henry Ford Community College, Dearborn, MI, Instructor 1975-1978

> Developed and taught courses including noise control, industrial toxicology, and air pollution.

Wayne State University College of Medicine, Department of Occupational and 1973-2000

Environmental Health, Detroit, MI, Guest Lecturer

Northern Virginia Community College, Alexandria, VA, Instructor 1981-1982

Professional Societies and Memberships:

American Academy of Industrial Hygiene, member

American Conference of Governmental Industrial Hygienists, member

American Industrial Hygiene Association (AIHA), full member

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AIHA, Invited panel member of mycotoxin workshop, March 1998

AIHA, Baltimore-Washington Local section, member

AIHA Respirator Protection Committee, corresponding member

AIHA Respirator training subcommittee of Respiratory Protection Committee, former chairman

AIHA Indoor air quality committee, member

AIHA Biological Environmental Exposure Level (BEEL) project team, member

AIHA Biological Monitoring Committee (BMC), member

AIHA IAQ Committee, Subcommittee on Review of Health Hazards from Exposure to Mycotoxin Fungi in Indoor Environments, member

AIHA Respirator Committee, Hazardous Waste Subcommittee, former chairman

Henry Ford Community College Advisory Industrial Health and Safety Council, former member

Michigan Industrial Hygiene Association, former member

Michigan Industrial Hygiene Society, Board of Directors 1975-1977

Mid-Maryland American Lung Association, former board member

Motor Vehicles Manufacturer Association ad hoc Committee to review the NIOSH Sulfuric Acid Criteria Documents, former chairman

Motor Vehicles Manufacturer Association ad hoc Committee for NIOSH Criteria Documents on Beryllium, Benzene and Chromates, former member

Sigma Xi, scientific research society, former member

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Forum on a Critical Review of Health Hazards from Exposure to Mycotoxic Fungi in Indoor Environments presented at the American Industrial Hygiene conference, Orlando, Florida, 2000 (panel speaker).

Occupational Safety and Health Administration, presented testimony and responded to questions on behalf of the Workplace Health and Safety Council at the OSHA hearings for their proposed Standard on Indoor Air Quality (29 CFR Parts 1910, 1915, 1926 and 1928).

United States Congress, presented testimony and responded to questions at a congressional hearing on H.R. 2919 entitled the "Indoor Air Act of 1993" on November 1, 1993, on behalf of the National Association of Manufacturers.

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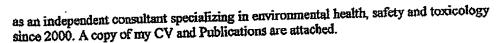
Re: Holinka v. A.W. Chesterton et al.

Dear Counselors:

Thank you for allowing me to review the above referenced matter. Below is a statement of my qualifications, as well as my opinions regarding this matter, and the bases for these opinions.

Summary of Qualifications

I am Kenneth S. Weinberg, Ph.D., the President and Principal Consultant of Safdoc Systems, LLC, located in Stoughton, MA. I earned a Master of Science in Environmental Health and Radiation Health Physics from the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health in 1970. I also earned a Ph.D. in Biochemistry and Pathology in 1979 from Boston University, Graduate School of Medical and Dental Sciences. I have worked

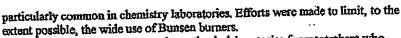


In addition to the aforementioned educational credentials, I worked in both clinical and research laboratories, spanning a course of over twenty years. I started my career as a research technician in a college chemistry laboratory, which was followed by a stint as the night technician in a clinical microbiology laboratory at Children's Hospital, in Boston, MA. This occurred while I was an undergraduate. At the same time, I also worked and volunteered as a technician in the clinical pathology laboratory at what is now Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston. Following this, I performed laboratory research in radiation and environmental health physics at the University of Pittsburgh Graduate School of Public Health. This was followed by work as a technician in a research pathology laboratory at Boston University School of Medicine. At the end of that period, I returned to Graduate School for my doctorate, and worked in a pathology laboratory both as a technician and graduate student at BU School of Medicine. Following the awarding of my doctorate, I held positions as a Postdoctoral Fellow, Assistant Professor of Medicine and Research Scientist at various institutions in the Boston area, including Tufts New England Medical Center, and the Dana Farber Cancer Institute. Each of these positions involved both laboratory research and increasing responsibility for leadership in the laboratory. Later on, I worked as the director of a commercial environmental laboratory that included a number of subgroups within the laboratory, including analytical and basic chemistry groups, which also involved the analysis of soil samples. Finally, I took on the roll of Industrial Hygienist at the Brockton/West Roxbury V.A. Medical Center, and then as Director of Safety at Massachusetts General Hospital. In these latter two positions, I played a daily role in the issues surrounding environmental health and safety in the clinical and research laboratories at each of these respective facilities. At Massachusetts General Hospital, in particular, I spent several hours each week observing work practices and procedures in both the clinical and research laboratories to better assist practitioners in achieving a safe working environment.

Statement of Opinions

I hold the following opinions to a reasonable degree of laboratory certainty:

- Asbestos heating pads for Bunsen burners were durable and were not routinely or frequently disposed of and they did not, even after extensive use, display signs of aging through the appearance of white dust or powder.
- Asbestos heat resistant mittens typically were durable, did not significantly
 degrade when used in typical laboratory circumstances, such as hardling hot
 glassware, and, thus, were not routinely or frequently disposed of.
- 3. It was, and still is, the custom and practice in the laboratories to utilize clamps and tongs, not mittens, to handle hot glassware at the bench top.
- 4. It was, and still is, the custom and practice in laboratories to use either heating baths or heating mantles to heat materials in flasks or beakers. The latter were



- 5. It was, and still is, the custom and practice in laboratories for researchers who become more senior to be less involved in the day to day conduct of experiments and to be more involved in planning, analysis and review of experimental data, as well as in the preparation of manuscripts for publication.
- 6. It was, and still is, the custom and practice for laboratory workers to maintain a clean work environment to protect themselves from exposure to potentially harmful materials and to protect their work from potential contamination.
- Based on the methods sections included in Dr. Holinka's publications that were
 provided to me, including those produced prior to 1989, it does not appear that
 heating of chemicals or materials played a significant role in the research
 conducted.

Bases of Opinion

My statements and opinions are based on my personal experience working in various types of research and clinical laboratories, as well as undergraduate student laboratories. I also base my opinions on the observations I made as an industrial hygienist and director of safety at the VA Medical Centers in Brockton and West Roxbury, MA, and Massachusetts General Hospital, Respectively.

I also considered the following information when formulating my opinions:

- Asbestos is a durable material capable of withstanding high amounts of heat for long periods of time. Asbestos is the best heat retardant material known to man.
- Asbestos heat resistant mittens were clumsy and not appropriate for the care that
 must be taken when handling equipment, such as test tubes, beakers, or crucibles.
- 3. Clamps and tongs were, and still are, typically used to handle test tubes, beakers or crucibles that have been heated
- The primary use of asbestos heat resistant mittens in the laboratory was to remove hot objects from autoclaves, drying ovens, and kilns.
- 5. In the course of work in the chemistry lab or other labs where heating of substances are necessary, it was, and still is more common to see the use of heating mantles, that is long trays that can contain and hold the beakers or flasks that need to be heated. These heating mantles were typically placed inside of fume hoods to reduce emissions of gases and any potential harmful materials into the general air of the laboratory. Heating mantles were used because the practice of heating chemicals with open flames is potentially hazardous; the goal of the laboratory is to limit the use as well as location of open flames to the greatest extent possible.
- 6. Culture media was, and still is, generally heated in warming baths, not over Bunsen burner flames.
- 7. The heat from Bunsen burners is difficult to control, and as a result, this method for heating is not optimal and may result in the destruction of important chemicals. In addition, heating chemicals using Bunsen burners can be dangerous

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· as it may lead to rapid release of hazardous materials, and may put workers at risk of exposure to fire or explosions.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Postdoctoral Training

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Assistant Professor of Medicine, Member Special and Scientific 1982-1983

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Licensure/Certification

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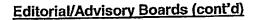
Safety Professional of the Year, Health Care Division, American June, 2001 Society of Safety Engineers



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Editorial/Advisory Boards

2005	Editorial Advisory Board, Medical Environmental Weekly, HcPro
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2002-	Advisory Board, National Toxic Mold Coalition
2001-2002	Science Advisory Panel, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, "Review and Recommendations for DEP's Interim risk evaluation Guidance Document for Solid Waste Facility Site Assessment and Permitting."
2001-	Boston University Biology Department Alumni Advisory Council
2001-	Advisory Board, Briefings on Hospital Safety
	Editorial Board, J. Healthcare Safety Compliance and Infection Control
1996-1998	American Society of Safety Engineers, Administrator, Health Care Division
1996-	Bureau of National Affairs Editorial Advisory Board for Healthcare Facilities Guide
1996	Member, Toxic Use Reduction Task Force, Chair, Committee on Education and Training



1995	American Society of Safety Engineers, Assistant Administrator Health Care Division
1994-1995	Hospital Mercury Task Force, Source Identification Committee
1994-1997	Member, Boston Chamber of Commerce, Committee on Energy And Environment
1994-	Advisory Board, Massachusetts Safety Council, Health and Safety Institute
1994	American Society of Safety Engineers, Secretary, Health Care Division
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Continuing Education

Internal Auditing of an Environmental Management System, March 2007, Sponsored by UMass Lowell, Toxics Use Reduction institute

Auditing an Environmental Management System, March, 2006 Sponsored by UMass Lowell Toxics Use Reduction Institute

Hazard Control Technologies in Healthcare: Collaborative strategies for the next Millennium, August, 1999

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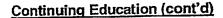
OSHA Training Program in Ergonomics, New Hampshire, March, 1998

NIOSH Respirator Training Course

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Ninth Annual Toxicology Symposium: Practical Application of Risk Assessment for the Industrial Hygienist, American Industrial Hygiene Association, 1994

Seminar in Effective Communications for Health and Safety Professionals, ASSE, New Orleans, LA, 1997



Frontline Leadership: Techniques for the Modern Manager, Massachusetts General Hospital, 1993

Research Laboratory Safety Seminars, Howard Hughes Research Institute, Bethesda, MD. 1991

Professional Safety Management Seminar, Massachusetts Safety Council, 1992 Environmental Pollution: Strategies for Reduction and Control, Silver City, MD. 1992

Indoor Air Quality Update '89, Washington, DC.

EPA Asbestos Training Course for Supervisors and Monitors

Training Program in Hazard Communication, Veteran's Administration

Industrial Hygiene Course, Harvard University School of Public Health

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Page 35 Page 33 Christian Holinka 35 1 33 Christian Holinka 1 areas. Can you tell me when you were working with the Can you tell me what type of work you did 2 2 Bunsen burner pads what type of work you were doing? 3 as a Private First Class from approximately July '57 3 In chemistry you would make solutions, you 4 to 1958? 4 would put them on the Bunsen burner pad to heat them 5 Yes. I worked in all branches of a 5 to dissolve your ingredients. In bacteriology you clinical medical laboratory including bacteriology, 6 would make agar for bacterial cultures that needed to 7 biochemistry and hematology. And I should say 7 be heated in. In histology you also made solutions 8 pathology also. 8 that needed to be heated for the dye to dissolve. MR. DARCHE: Could we take a two minute 9 9 Many dyes dissolve only at a certain temperature. 10 10 break, please? Q About how much of your time was spent 11 MS. LEAVITT: Sure. 11 handling or disposing of Bunsen burner pads? (Whereupon, at 11:43 A.M., a short recess 12 12 MR. DARCHE: You can answer if you know. 13 13 was taken) I don't know. It is so routine, I don't 14 (Back on the record at 11:55 A.M.) 14 want to elaborate too much, it is so routine that Mr. Holinka, I just want to go backwards 15 15 whenever you needed to replace it, you did so. for a minute and then we will come back to the 16 16 How long did it take on average to replace 17 17 a Bunsen burner pad? 18 When you were at Fort Sam for those two 18 A I don't know. It depends on its use. If months, do you know who supplied the Bunsen burners to 19 19 it's used less frequent I'd say once a week, 20 Fort Sam? 20 estimated. If it is used very frequent, probably more 21 No, I don't. 21 Α Do you know who supplied the incubators to 22 frequently. 22 0 Q In order to dispose of a pad, would that 23 23 Fort Sam? take seconds, minutes, hours? 24 24 Α No, I don't. Seconds. While working as a Private First Class at 25 25 Page 36 Page 34 Christian Holinka 1 Christian Holinka 1 And would the only reason you would have to the General Hospital, were you exposed to asbestos in 2 2 handle a Bunsen burner pad would be to dispose of it? 3 3 any way? To manually handle it, yes. 4 4 Α Yes. Do you know the manufacturer of the Bunsen 5 Can you tell me how you believe you were . 5

exposed to asbestos while working as a Private First Class at 98 General Hospital?

A Yes. Bunsen burner pads, mittens to shield from heat. Whenever you had shield glass work, you put on those mittens and eventually with use because of the heat and otherwise they became brittle and to my knowledge they contained asbestos as an insulator.

MS. LEAVITT: Can you read that back, please.

(Whereupon, at this time, the requested portion was read back by the reporter)

Q Why do you believe you were exposed to asbestos from the Bunsen burner pads?

A You handled them regularly, you replaced them. As they were exposed to heat, the center part decomposed, became brittle and you had to dispose of the pad and replace it with a new unit.

Q And earlier you told us that you worked in all branches of the clinical medical lab including biochemistry, hematology, pathology and some other

Q Do you know the manufacturer of the Bunsen burners that you worked with while working as a Private First Class at 98 General Hospital?

A No.

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Q Do you know who supplied the Bunsen burners to the hospital?

A I don't.

Q Do you know who manufactured the pads that were on the Bunsen burners at General Hospital when you were a Private First Class?

A I don't.

Q Do you know who supplied the pads?

A I don't.

Q Can you tell me why you believe you were exposed to asbestos from mittens at 98 General Hospital while working as a Private First Class?

A By frequently using them.

Q Did you have to use the mittens at any time other than when shielding from glass work?

A No

Q How often would you have to shield from

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2	glass work?	_	hospital?
3	Δ Frequently, certainly daily.	3	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
4	O And would that take seconds, minutes or	4,	One of the wings of the hospital. Q Was there any ongoing renovation while you
5	hours?	5	
6	A Minutes	6	worked at the hospital? A Not to my knowledge.
7	Q Do you know who manufactured the mittens	7	the annual chamicals and filmes
8	that you used while working as a Private First Class	8	While working in the laboratory at the hospital?
9	at the hospital?	9	MR. DARCHE: I am going to object to the
10	A I don't	10	form of the question.
11	Q Do you know who supplied the mittens to the	11	But you can answer.
12	hospital?	12	a it is all the time for
13	A Idon't.	13	A I used chemicals all the time for solutions, making solutions, making dyes with the
14	Q Do you recall the name of any co-workers	14 15	necessary caution.
15	that worked with you while you were a Private First	16	O Would you have inhaled any of the fumes
16	Class at the hospital?	17	from these chemicals?
17	A I don't.	18	MR. DARCHE: Objection.
18	Q While working as a specialist starting in	19	You can answer.
19	1958 until 1959, July or August of 1959, were you	20	THE WITNESS: I can answer?
20	exposed to asbestos in any way?	21	MR. DARCHE: Yes, you can answer.
21	A The work was exactly the same as	22	A Minimally because we were very careful.
22	previously, so if you want me to specifically answer	23	Q And what types of precautions did you take?
23	to the best of my knowledge, yes.	24	The second of th
24	Q Was there any difference between the work	25	a sterile hood which would suck up the fumes, so to
25	that you did as a specialist and the work that you did	23	a sterile riosa rimer
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2	as a Private First Class?
3	A No.
4	Q The only difference was the title changed?
5	A Yes.
6	Q So, all of the questions that I just asked
7	you about Bunsen burners, the Bunsen burner pads and
8	the mittens would all
9	MS. LEAVITT: Strike that.
10	Q Would all of your answers with respect to
11	the Bunsen burners, the Bunsen burner pads and the
12	mittens while you were working as a Private First
13	Class at 98 General Hospital apply to the time that
14	you also worked as a specialist?
15	A Yes, that's correct.
16	Q Do you recall the names of any co-workers
17	that you worked with when you were a specialist?
18	A I don't.
19	Q Did you work in one laboratory or was there
20	more than one laboratory at General Hospital?
21	A It was one laboratory consisting of
22	different divisions.
23	Q Were you in any particular division?
24	A Most of my work was in biochemistry, in
25	bacteriology and in histology, pathology.

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2	speak.
3	Q And what about with fumes that were not
4	quite as strong?
5	A I work at the bench.
6	Q Did you wear any type of mask or respirator
7	when you were working at the bench?
8	A For bacterial cultures, certainly, yes.
9	Q What about for non-bacterial cultures?
10	A Generally no.
11	Q When others were working nearby with strong
12	fumes such as acids, would you wear any type of mask
13	or respirator?
14	A No. Q Other than acids what would you classify as
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16	strong fumes? MR. DARCHE: Objection to the form.
17	You can answer.
18	a transfer aromala alcohol or
19	toluene, a whole number of.
20	O Were acids used by yourself on a daily
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24	the inhomitant
25	on a daily basis?
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[Rabinovitz Report Point Caption]

The testimony of Dr. Sheldon H. Rabinovitz (Ph.D, Physiology and Pharmacology;
certified Industrial Hygeniest), as reflected in his report, dated July 24, 2007 (a copy of which is
appended at Exhibit) ("Rabinowitz Report"), should be precluded in part at trial, because its
opinions on an employer's legal responsibilities are beyond the scope of proper expert testimony.
The section of his report, titled "Employer Responsibility" is rife with
interpretations of statutes and regulations and draws legal conclusions, which constitute improper
subjects of expert testimony. Rabinovitz Report at p. 8.
For example, his report states, "As described in the [Occupational Safety and
Health Act of 1970], it is the employer's responsibility to provide a safe work environment for
employees. While the act requires employees to comply with standards and rules that are
applicable to their own actions and conduct, it is the employer who has the means to provide a
safe environment." Id. Or, "Dr. Holinka's employers would have been responsible for ensuring
that he was not exposed to harmful levels of asbestos." Id.
Such opinions about what the law is or means and the legal conclusions to be
reached are not proper subjects of expert testimony. See Colon v. Rent-A-Center, Inc., 276
A.D.2d 58, 61-62 (1st Dep't 2000); <u>LaPenta v. Loca-Bik Ltee Transport</u> , 238 A.D.2d 913, 914
(4th Dep't 1997). Rather, the court must decide all questions of law and instruct the jury on the
applicable law at trial. Colon, 276 A.D.2d at 61; 58A N.Y. Jurisprudence 2d: Evidence and
Witnesses §690 (2007 ed.)

[Dr. Weinberg Report Point Caption]

The testimony of Dr. Kenneth S. Weinberg (Ph.D, Biochemistry and Pathology),
as reflected in his report, dated July 30, 2007 (a copy of which is appended at Exhibit)
("Weinberg Report"), should be precluded in full as being improper expert testimony.
His expert opinions are based expressly "on my personal experience working in
various types of research and clinical laboratories," as well as "the observations I made as an
industrial hygienist and director of safety at the VA Medical Centers In Brockton and West
Roxbury, MA, and Massachusetts General Hospital." Weinberg Report at p. 3.
It is well-established that an expert witness' "opinion evidence must be based on
facts in the record or personally known to the witness." Cassano v. Hagstrom, 5 N.Y.2d 643, 646
(1959); see also Corelli v. City of New York, 88 A.D.2d 810, 824 (1st Dep't 1982). Yet the
laboratories and six that Dr. Weinberg has personal experience and knowledge of are not the
same sites as those Dr. Holinka has stated he worked at. Moreover, Dr. Weinberg's experience
with laboratories and procedures therein occurred at much later timed than Dr. Holinka's. For
instance, Dr. Weinberg's experience as a director of safety at the Brockton V.A. Medical Center
and Massachusetts General Hospital was all post-1987. Weinberg Report at "Curriculum
Vitae," p. 2. Dr. Holinka has testified to being exposed to asbestos while working in medical
laboratories much earlier, from 1956 onwards. See Transcript of the Deposition of Christian
Holinka, on February 12, 2007, at pp. 33-38 (copies of which are appended at Exhibit).
At points, Dr. Weinberg's report appears directly contradict Dr. Holinka's factual
testimony about the circumstances of his exposures, which certainly is not the proper province of
expert testimony. For example, he opines, "It was, and still is, the custom and practice in the
laboratories to utilize clamps and tongs, not mittens, to handle hot glassware at the bench top."

Weinberg Report at p. 2. Dr. Holinda testified that he did use asbestos mittens. See Holinka Deposition, Exh. ___ at pp. 36-37.

___. Finally, many of Dr. Weinberg's "opinions" do not involve matters beyond the [the jury's] "own experience, understanding and observation," for which expert testimony is needed. Corelli, 88 A.D.2d at 810; see also Kulak v. Nationwide Mut. Ins. Co., 40 N.Y.2d 140, 147-48 (1976). For instance, one "opinion" states, "It was, and still is, the custom and practice in laboratories for researchers who become more senior to be less involved in the day to day conduct of experiments " Weinberg Report at p. 3. Another reads, "It was, and still is, the custom and practice for laboratory workers to maintain a clean work environment to protect themselves from exposure to potentially harmful materials and to protect their work from potential contamination." Id.

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